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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Communist Oaths and Pledges--  
Memorandum of 4 January 1953.

1. After hurriedly completing reference memorandum, the attached item was discovered. It represents the oath of a candidate member made at admission to the Communist Party of Brazil.
2. You may wish to transmit the item as an addendum although it does not affect the general conclusions presented.
3. The attachment is Article 8 (eight) of the Statutes of CP Brazil distributed in January 1951 and was disseminated as [redacted]

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Chief, International Communism Branch  
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Art. 8. To become a member, the candidate must be proposed by a member who has been a militant member for at least a year. The proposal for admission, signed by the candidate and the person proposing him, will be introduced by the person proposing, to the cell to which he belongs for discussion and decision. The accepted candidate will be considered a member of the Party after he has repeated the following oath before the members of that group:

"I promise the most devoted loyalty and complete dedication to the sacred interests of the working class and the people. I promise, too, to work actively for the defense of democracy and for peace and the decisive downfall of fascism, for the disappearance of all forms of national oppression and exploitation of man, until socialism is established. With this objective I solemnly swear to remain faithful to the principles of the PCB; to fight to the extent of my ability, which I will always try to increase, for its (the PCB's) unity, and for its growth; to work tirelessly in the fulfillment of its program."

(Source: Statutes of CP Brazil, 1951).

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